



## State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations



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### Notice of Polluted Shellfishing Grounds May 2005

*In accordance with the provisions of title 20, chapter 8.1 of the general laws of 1956, entitled "shellfish grounds", notice is hereby given that the water areas in Rhode Island overlying shellfish grounds herein described have been found to be in an unsatisfactory sanitary condition for the taking of shellfish for human consumption and are declared to be polluted areas. Persons taking shellfish from said waters will be prosecuted in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned chapter.*

### **Permanent Closures**

#### **Allen Harbor and Little Allen Harbor**

- \*1. Allen Harbor, west of a line from the southeastern most extremity of Calf Pasture Point, to the northeastern most extremity of Spink Neck, including Allen Harbor, Little Allen Harbor, and the entrance channel in their entirety.

#### **Greenwich Bay - Apponaug Cove and Baker Creek**

2. All waters of Greenwich Bay in the area of Apponaug Cove and Baker's Creek north and west of a line from the northeast extremity of Chepiwanoxet to the extension of Capron Farm Drive in Nausauket.

(see also: the conditional closures under Greenwich Bay)

#### **Bristol Harbor**

3. Bristol Harbor, east of a line from the range marker located on pole # 20 Poppasquash Road at the northernmost indentation of Bristol Harbor to the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management range marker located on the northern extremity of Hog Island, and north of a line from the northern extremity of Hog Island to the western extension of Low Lane on Bristol Neck.

(see also: the seasonal closures under Bristol Harbor)

\*map identification number corresponds with location on attached map

#### **East Passage and Newport Harbor**

4. East Passage and Newport Harbor east of a line from range marker painted on the shoreline approximately 500 feet west of the monument flagpole located in Fort Adams State Park to the Rose Island light, east of a line from the Rose Island light to navy buoy w or "d" located at the southeast side of Gould Island, east of a line from navy buoy w or "d" located at the southeast side of Gould Island to buoy GR C at Fiske Rock, and south of a line from buoy GR C at Fiske Rock to the eastern (landward) end of the former dock site, located approximately 800 feet north of Green Lane.

5. The waters within 500 feet of the firing pier at the U.S. Navy Torpedo Testing Station at the northern end of Gould Island.
6. The waters in the vicinity of Melville east of a line from Coggeshall Point southwesterly to the southeasternmost point of Dyer Island and the area east of a line from Carr Point northwesterly to the southeasternmost point of Dyer Island Portsmouth.

#### **Brush Neck Cove**

7. All waters of Brush Neck Cove and Buttonwoods Cove north of a line from the easternmost point of Buttonwoods Neck in Buttonwoods, to the western extension of Strand Avenue at Oakland Beach.

(see also: the conditional closures under Greenwich Bay)

#### **Greenwich Cove**

8. Greenwich Cove westerly and southerly of a line from the Department of Environmental Management range marker located on the westerly side of Goddard Park State Beach to the southerly point of Chepiwanoxet Island.

(see also: the conditional closures under Greenwich Bay)

#### **Jamestown Area**

9. The waters on the east shore of Jamestown, in the vicinity of East Ferry and Taylor Point, west of a line from the house on the rocks located in The Dumplings through buoy C13, to buoy N2 located at the south end of Gould Island and south of a line from the northern most tip of Taylor Point to buoy R14 located off Coasters Harbor in Newport.

#### **Mount Hope Bay; Kickemuit River and Vicinity**

10. Mount Hope Bay and vicinity south and west of the Rhode Island-Massachusetts state line; and the waters east of a line from Touisset Point to the channel marker buoy R4 located on the southerly side of the Mount Hope Bay channel and south and east of a line from buoy R4 channel marker to the southernmost landward end of Bristol Point, and south of a line from Bristol Point to the Hog Island Shoal Light, to the southwestern extremity of Arnold Point in Portsmouth, where a Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management range marker has been established, and the waters of the Sakonnet River north of a line extending from the southwestern-most corner of the Stone Bridge in Tiverton to the eastern-most extension of Morningside Lane in Portsmouth; and east of a line extending from the northwestern most point of Nannaquaket Neck to the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management range marker and west to the eastern most side of the Nannaquaket Bridge in Tiverton.
11. That portion of the cove in Portsmouth south of a line from the southern end of Hummock Point to the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management range marker located at the eastern extremity of a point of land on the western shore of the cove.
- 11a. The northern portion of the Kickemuit River north of a line from the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management range marker located at the eastern extension of Patterson Avenue in the Laurel Park section of Warren to the flagpole on the opposite eastern shore on the property of #61 Asylum Road in Touisset.

### **New Shoreham (Block Island)**

12. The waters in the vicinity of Pebbly Beach which are within 5,900 feet of the marine outfall sewer located 41° 10' 02"n, 71° 33' 04"w, including Old Harbor in its entirety.
- 12a. The waters of Trim's Pond south and west of a line from the easternmost tip of Fort Island to Swienton's Dock located on the opposite shore.

### **Old Warwick Cove**

13. Old Warwick Cove, north of a line from the southeastern most riprap jetty at the entrance to Warwick Cove, located at the southeastern end of Oakland Beach to the southern (landward) end of Dorr's Dock on Warwick Neck.

(see also: the conditional closures under Greenwich Bay)

### **Pawcatuck River and Little Narragansett Bay**

14. All the waters of Little Narragansett Bay and the Pawcatuck River within the state of Rhode Island which are northeast of a line from the southeastern extremity of Sandy Point to the northernmost tip of Napatree Point, including the "kitchen", (so called).

### **Point Judith Pond**

15. Point Judith Pond north of a line from the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management range marker located in Smelt Brook Cove to the Rhode Island Departmental of Environment Management range marker located at the northwest tip of Pine Tree Point, including the northern portion of Smelt Brook Cove, Congdon Cove, the Narrows, Long Cove, Upper Pond, Silver Spring Cove, Stone Water Fence Cove, and the tidal portion of the Saugatucker River and all other tributaries north and east of this line.
- 15a. The waters of Champlin Cove located in Pt. Judith Pond, north of a line from the westernmost extension of Delray Drive to the easternmost extension of Flint Stone Road located on Harbor Island.
16. The waters in the vicinity of Galilee within 500 feet of the shore from the northern end of the breachway to the western side of the Great Island Road bridge to the southwestern extension of Basin Road.
17. The waters in the vicinity of Jerusalem within 500 feet of the shore from the northern end of the breachway to a point approximately 1,000 feet north of the state pier.
18. The waters in the vicinity of Snug Harbor within 500 feet of shore from Gooseberry Road to High Point.
19. Potter Pond channel east of a line across the western end of the Potter Pond entrance channel located approximately 500 feet west of Succotash Road and west of a line from a point of land on the northern shore of the channel approximately 700 feet east of Succotash Road to a point of land on the southern shore of the channel.

### **Sakonnet River**

20. All tidal waters of the "Gut" (so called), located at the north end of Nannaquaket Pond, north of the northern side of Rt. 77 (Main Road) in Tiverton.

### **Providence River**

21. The Providence River and Upper Narragansett Bay, north and west of a line from Conimicut Point directly to old tower at Nayatt Point including the tributaries of these waters north and west of this line.

### **Rhode Island sound**

22. The waters in the vicinity of Tucker's Dock which are within 4,000 feet of the marine outfall sewer located 41° 25' 16"n, 71° 27' 8"w.
23. The waters in the vicinity of Scarborough which are within 5,600 feet of the marine outfall sewer located south of Scarborough beach and east of fort Nathaniel Greene 41° 22' 48"n, 71° 28' 14"w.

### **Upper Narragansett Bay**

24. Old Mill Creek in its entirety.

(see also: the conditional closures under Upper Narragansett Bay)

### **Warren, Barrington, and Palmer Rivers**

25. All waters north and east of a line from the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management range marker at Adams Point to the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management range marker at Jacobs Point, including all waters of the Barrington River and Palmer River in their entireties.

### **West Passage**

26. The waters within a 700 foot radius of the extension of South Ferry Road at the U.R.I. Bay Campus, including the E.P.A. dock located north of South Ferry Road, and the G.S.O. dock located south of South Ferry Road.

### **Wickford Harbor and Vicinity**

27. That portion of Wickford Harbor west of a line from the northern extremity of Big Rock Point to the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management range marker at the southern extremity of Calf Neck, including Wickford and Mill Coves and their tributaries.  
(see also: the seasonal closures under Wickford Harbor)

28. The waters in the vicinity of Quonset Point, south of a line from the northeastern end of the bulkhead at Quonset State Airport to nun buoy "10", west of a line from nun buoy "10" to nun buoy "8", north and west of the intersection of a line from nun buoy "8" to the northernmost tip of Fox Island, and north and east of a line from the southerly extension of 2nd Street of the Sauga Point area in North Kingstown to the western extremity of Sand Point on Jamestown.

29. The waters in the vicinity of Piers #1 and #2 at the Davisville depot that are south of a line from the northeast corner of Pier #2 (the more northerly pier at the Davisville depot) to nun

buoy "14", north of a line from the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management range marker located on the bulkhead at approximately 300 feet south of Pier #1 (the more southerly pier at the Davisville depot) to nun buoy "12", including all waters between the above described lines which are west of a line and the extension of a line from the northeastern end of the bulkhead at Quonset State Airport through nun buoy "16".

30. Bissel Cove west of the line from the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management range marker on the north shore of Bissel Cove in the vicinity of "The Homestead" so-called to the range marker on the southern shore of Bissel Cove.

#### **Narrow River**

31. All waters of the Narrow River, Pettaquamscutt Cove, and the Narrows in its entirety.

#### **Ninigret and Green Hill Ponds**

32. All waters of Ninigret Pond, including Tockwotten Cove, east of a line from the Department of Environmental Management range markers located on the shore directly eastward of pole number 16-1 at the end of Starrett Drive to the Department of Environmental Management range marker located at the end of Florence Avenue, and including Green Hill Pond in its entirety.

#### **West Middle Bay**

33. Frys Pond in its entirety.

#### **East Passage**

34. Castle Hill Cove in its entirety.
35. The waters of the East Passage, south of a line from the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management range marker located just south of Carr Point to buoy "Gr C" located at Fiske Rock, and north and east of a line from the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management range marker located approximately 2,300 feet north of the former Blue Gold Pier, to nun buoy "22".
- 35a. Easton's Bay north of a line from Tuckerman's Terrace in Middletown to Narragansett Avenue in Newport.

#### **Seasonal Closures**

Begins at sunrise of the Saturday immediately prior to Memorial Day and ends at sunrise of the Tuesday immediately following Columbus Day.

*in accordance with the provisions of chapter 20-8.1 of the general laws of 1956, as amended, entitled "shellfish grounds", notice is hereby given that the following areas have been found to be in an unsatisfactory sanitary condition for the taking of shellfish for human consumption and declared to be polluted areas during the period of each year extending from sunrise of the Saturday immediately prior to memorial day and ends at sunrise of the Tuesday immediately following Columbus Day. Persons taking shellfish from said waters during this period will be prosecuted in accordance with provisions of the aforementioned chapter.*

### **Block Island**

- \*36. Effective at sunrise of the Saturday immediately prior to Memorial Day through sunrise of the last Saturday in June - the waters of Great Salt Pond south of a line from the northern most extremity of Cormorant Point to the western most extremity of Harris Point.

Effective at sunrise of the last Saturday in June through sunrise of the third Monday in September - all waters of Great Salt Pond, south of a line from the northern most extremity of Cormorant Point to the northern most landward dock located at the Block Island Club.

Effective at sunrise of the third Monday in September through sunrise of the Tuesday immediately following Columbus Day - the waters of Great Salt Pond south of a line from the northern most extremity of Cormorant Point to the western most extremity of Harris Point.

\*refer to local town of New Shoreham ordinances for additional management restrictions. For further information contact the Block Island Harbors department at 466-3204.

### **Bristol Harbor**

37. Bristol Harbor, west of a line from the range marker located on pole # 20 Poppasquash Rd. at the northernmost indentation of Bristol Harbor to the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management range marker located at the northernmost extremity of Hog Island and north of a line from Rockwell's Dock on Popasquash Neck to the southwest corner of the Premier Thread Company building on the east shore of Bristol Harbor.

### **Jamestown Area**

38. The waters on the west shore of Jamestown in the vicinity of West Ferry which are south and east of a line from the landward side of the northeast corner of the Fort Getty Pier to the south side of the mouth of Great Creek.

### **Potter Cove (Prudence Island)**

39. Potter Cove, northerly and westerly of a line from the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management range marker established at the south-westerly extremity of Gull Point on Prudence Island through nun buoy 6 at the entrance to Potter Cove to the east shore of Prudence Island.

### **Sakonnet Harbor**

40. Sakonnet Harbor south of a line from the light at the end of the Sakonnet breakwater to a point of land near the end of Goodrich Lane on the eastern shore of the Harbor.

### **Wickford Harbor**

41. Wickford Harbor, west of Sauga Point breakwater and a line from the light at the southern end of the Sauga Point breakwater to the northern end of the Poplar Point breakwater and west of the Poplar Point breakwater.

## **Kickemuit River**

42. The Kickemuit River, south of a line from the eastern extension of Kickemuit Avenue in Bristol to the Department of Environmental Management range marker located on the western tip of Little Neck in Touisset, and north of a line from the Department of Environmental Management range markers located on the east shore and west shore at the entrance to the Kickemuit River, including the "Bristol Narrows" in its entirety.
43. The Kickemuit River, west of a line from the Department of Environmental Management range marker located on the western tip of Little Neck in Touisset to the brick stack located at 426 Metacom Avenue in Warren (formally known as the Carol Cable building), north of a line from the eastern extension of Sherman Avenue in Bristol to the western extension of Chase Avenue Touisset, and south of a line from the eastern extension of Harris Avenue in Warren to the "5 mph no wake buoy".

## **Conditional Closures**

*in accordance with the provisions of title 20, chapter 8.1 of the general laws of 1956, entitled "shellfish grounds", notice is hereby given that the water areas in Rhode Island overlying shellfish grounds herein described are from time to time found to be in an unsatisfactory sanitary condition for the taking of shellfish for human consumption and are declared to be polluted areas at those times. Persons taking shellfish from said waters during those times will be prosecuted in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned chapter. The status of these areas can be obtained at any time by phoning the Division of Enforcement, Department of Environmental Management at 222-2900.*

## **Upper Narragansett Bay**

44. Upper Narragansett Bay Conditional Area A:  
north of a line from the southeast corner of the Rocky Point pier in Warwick to the southwest (landward) corner of the Colt State Park pier in Bristol, south of a line from Adams Point in Barrington to Jacobs Point in Warren, and south of a line from Conimicut Point directly to Old Tower at Nayatt Point.
45. Upper Narragansett Bay Conditional Area B:  
north of a line from Warwick Point to the northern extremity of Providence Point on Prudence Island, north of a line from the northern extremity of Providence Point to the southern extremity of Popasquash Point in Bristol, and south of a line from the southeast corner of the Rocky Point pier in Warwick to the southwest (landward) corner of the Colt State Park pier in Bristol.

## **Greenwich Bay**

46. The waters of Greenwich Bay, north and west of a line from the eastern extremity of Sandy Point in Warwick to the flag pole located at the Warwick Country Club on Warwick Neck, excluding Apponaug Cove and all tributaries north and west of a line from the northeast extremity of Chepiwanoxet to the extension of Cooper Road in Buttonwoods, excluding Brush Neck and Buttonwoods Cove north of a line from the easternmost point of Buttonwoods Neck to the western extension of Strand Avenue at Oakland Beach, excluding Greenwich Cove west and south of a line from the northerly point of Long Point to the southern point of Chepiwanoxet Island, and excluding Old Warwick Cove north of a line from the southeastern riprap jetty at the entrance to Warwick Cove located at the

southeastern end of Oakland Beach to the southern (landward) end of Dorr's Dock on Warwick Neck.

### **Mount Hope Bay; Kickemuit River and Vicinity**

47. Mount Hope Bay and the Kickemuit River north and west of a line from the southernmost landward end of Bristol Point to buoy R4 channel marker located on the southerly side of the Mount Hope Bay channel, and west of a line from Common Fence Point to Touisset Point that is identified by range markers, including all waters of the Kickemuit River.

\*note: certain fisheries management rules apply to shellfish harvesting in Greenwich Bay, Mount Hope Bay, and the Kickemuit River. Specific hours for commercial and recreational harvesting of all shellfish have been established. For information regarding management restrictions, call the Division of Fish, Wildlife, and Estuarine Resources at (401) 222-3075 or (401) 783-2304, Monday through Friday.

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